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Admiral Stansfield Turner Director, Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C.

Dear Admiral Turner:

It was my pleasure and privilege to be in the audience that the Palace Hotel in San Francisco last Friday when you addressed the Commonwealth Club and I simply wanted to tell you how impressed I was with you as well as the remarks you delivered. It was clear that my reaction and feelings were widely shared by those present; the country should take pride in the fact that a man like yourself is in such a responsible and strategic position.

I might add that my pride is predicated in part upon the fact that I am a member of the U.S. Naval Reserve Intelligence community as well as the fact that I am an alumnus of Amherst College. You may recall (per aps) that we spent an hour or so together in 1965 when you were a Commander attached to Secretary McNamara's staff and Chuck Longsworth and myself solicited you for a gift to Amherst during the Amherst Capital Program.

Best wishes for a successful career as a civilian member of the government.

Sincerely